

2025:PHHC:057527



**IN THE PUNJAB AND HARYANA HIGH COURT AT
CHANDIGARH**

205-1

CWP-18949-2001 (O&M)

SHRINIVAS K. KULKARNI

... Petitioner

VERSUS

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PHARMACEUTICAL EDUCATION AND
RESEARCH AND OTHERS

... Respondents

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**CWP-6243-2002 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 02.05.2025**

R.L. GUPTA

... Petitioner

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ.

Present: None for the petitioners.

Mr. Alankrit Bhardwaj, Advocate
for respondents No.1 to 4 in CWP-18949-2001 and
for respondents No.2 to 5 in CWP-6243-2002.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

Both these writ petitions had been filed challenging the appointment of Dr. C.L. Kaul (respondent No.4 in CWP-18949-2001 and respondent No.5 in CWP-6243-2002) as Director of National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research.

There is no representation on behalf of the petitioners(s).

It is, however, informed by the learned counsel for the respondents that not only the petitioners but also the selected candidate i.e. Dr. C.L. Kaul have retired from service after completing their respective service tenure.

The matter pertains to the year 2002 and as such, the contention of learned counsel for the respondents appears to be creditworthy. Moreover, there is no one present in Court on behalf of the petitioners to controvert the statement made by learned counsel for the respondents.

In view of the above, the exercise that remains in the present case is only academic and no real purpose would be served on account of efflux of time.

Disposed of as having been rendered infructuous while keeping the question of law open.

Liberty is, however, granted to the petitioner(s) to seek revival of the present petition in case any grievance still subsists.

All other misc. application(s), if any, also stand(s) disposed of accordingly.

MAY 02, 2025.

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**(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No